

Apalachicola Jan 30. 1868

My dear Sir

I sent off you Palmetto Seeds about a week ago by the Bayne Glen, Capt Holmes. The roots of Sarracenia are snugly packed in a box by my side and will go by the first chance after I have added some of your other wants. — If the season would linger a while until I get rid of the printers I would do much better by you; but our flowers are now expanding rapidly and don't seem inclined to wait the movements of authors & printers.

While out for the roots I had occasion to notice the fruiting condition of Gentiana ~~angustifol.~~ angustifol. var. I had seen this peculiarity before but supposed it to be accidental but now I find it to be the rule — If the true angustifol. presents this elongated shape in fruit (and does it?) my net may remain where we

all place it but if not I incline to give him a higher position in society.

I have seen the end of the Flora and am greatly obliged to Mr Eaton for the manner in which he has done up the ferns of the South - the first attempt I believe.

I shall print but 500 copies at first as I have instructed Bigelow who asks about the paper. I shall be satisfied with as good an article as you last (Name is printed on).

Do you make many (or any) corrections on the plates? I want to make some but I am fearful it will pay

I am getting slowly along through the preliminary ^{matter} subject all the while to the most annoying interruption which my bread & butter will not allow me to disregard. As you desired I sent Dr Boissier small specimens of my species of *Cephaelis* but unfortunately no fruit - I guess he will find some of them in Ruyb's collection.

Dr Engelmann writes me ^{he} has three unrecorded species within my bear. Well as it costs nothing to express a wish or an intention perhaps these things will receive attention at some future indefinite period.

There are three errors of proof on p 584 "paleae of staminate" & "Conecum" under *L. Alabamense* and the paleae are both lower in *Menanthochloë*.

I received a slip of Silliman's Journal from you by the last mail - I shall look for one one of these days with undisguised concern nous venons.

There will scarcely be a chance to send the roots under a week or so and due notice will be given when they are shipped.

I remain yours always
W. Chapman

I sent my Journal + some other matter last week to your address.